IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In he Application of: Masafumi Fukae, et al.

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For:

METHODS FOR CRYSTALLIZATION OF

N-(1(S)-ETHOXYCARBONYL-3-PHENYLPROPYL)-L-ALANINE

N-CARBOXYANHYDRIDE



AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

November 25, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of August 26, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.